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In re U.S. Patent Application of

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For: LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY DEVICE  
AND FABRICATION METHOD THEREOF

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**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated December 17, 2002, the period for response to which is set to expire on April 17, 2003, with the payment of the appropriate government extension fee for three months. Applicants hereby provisionally elect the continuing prosecution of Invention 1, Species IA, drawn to a liquid crystal display device, without traverse. Claims 1 through 5 and 9 through 11 pertain to the elected species, wherein claims 1 and 9 through 11 are believed generic to all identified species of the above-identified invention.

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